

## CLAIMS:

1. A method for integration of a medical wireless apparatus (3) into a patient network (13), comprising the following steps:

- the apparatus (3) is brought into the vicinity of the patient network (13) to which it is to be allocated,

5 - the current local position of the medical apparatus is detected,

- the patient network (13) closest to the medical apparatus (3) is determined and communicated to the medical apparatus (3),

- after enabling, the medical apparatus (3) is integrated into the patient network (13).

2. A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that a locating system (31) is provided, which determines the local position of the medical apparatus (3) and that of the nearest patient network (13) and informs the medical apparatus (3).

3. A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the local position of the new medical apparatus (3) and that of the nearest patient network is determined by environment detection.

4. A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that for enabling an input by clinic personnel is required.

5. A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that automatic enabling is effected according to predetermined logic criteria.

6. A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the information regarding which apparatuses (3) are already integrated in the patient network (13) is communicated to the medical apparatus (3) from the information center (29).

7. A wireless medical apparatus (3) having a transceiver unit (23), an indicating device (27) and an input device (25) and having a function for automatic integration of the medical apparatus (3) into a patient network (13).

5 8. A wireless medical apparatus as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that the function for integrating the medical apparatus (3) is determined as claimed in claim 1.

9. A wireless medical apparatus (3) as claimed in claim 7 having a transceiver unit (23) that permits communication in different networks, which preferably have different  
10 coverage's.

10. A wireless medical apparatus as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that the function for automatic integration allows for an input by medical staff.

15 11. A wireless medical apparatus as claimed in claim 7 having a display (27) and having a search function for finding medical apparatuses of a specific type or a specific medical apparatus with the search result shown on the display (27).

12. A locating system (31) for use in a hospital, having a network (19) and a  
20 memory, in which location data of apparatuses situated in a monitoring area are stored.

13. A system as claimed in claim 12, characterized in that information about an affiliation of the apparatuses to local patient networks (13, 15) is stored in the memory (10).